Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

4-401.

Except as provided in § 4-402 of this subtitle, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6 of this article, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in:

- (1) An action in contract or tort, if the debt or damages claimed do not exceed \$10,000, EXCLUSIVE OF ATTORNEY'S FEES IF ATTORNEY'S FEES ARE RECOVERABLE BY LAW OR CONTRACT;
- (2) An action of replevin, regardless of the value of the thing in controversy;
- (3) A case of attachment on original process, if the sum claimed does not exceed \$5,000, EXCLUSIVE OF ATTORNEY'S FEES IF ATTORNEY'S FEES ARE RECOVERABLE BY LAW OR CONTRACT;
- (4) An action involving landlord and tenant, distraint, or forcible entry and detainer, regardless of the amount involved;
- (5) A grantee suit brought under § 14-109 of the Real Property Article; and
- (6) A petition for injunction relating to the use, disposition, encumbrances, or preservation of property that is:
- (i) Claimed in a replevin action, until seizure under the writ; or
- (ii) Sought to be levied upon in an action of distress, until levy and any removal;
- (7) A petition of injunction filed by a county or municipality including Baltimore City for the enforcement of its health, housing, fire, building, electric, plumbing, and zoning codes;
- (8) Proceedings under §§ 264 or 297 of Article 27 for the forfeiture or return of moneys involved in a gambling or controlled dangerous substances seizure where